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Prior Application No: 09/389,318

Examiner: I. Marx

Art Unit: 1651

REQUEST FORM FOR CONTINUING PROSECUTION RECEIVED

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Sir:

This is a request for filing a [X] continuation [] divisional application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (Continuing Prosecution Application) of prior Application No. <u>09/389,318</u>, filed on <u>September 3, 1999</u>, for <u>METHOD FOR PRODUCING HIGHLY UNSATURATED FATTY ACIDS AND LIPID CONTAINING SAME</u> by the following named inventor(s):

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[] Applicant(s) hereby requests that the above-captioned application **NOT BE PUBLISHED** under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.211. The undersigned hereby certifies that the invention disclosed in this application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.

This application is being filed by less than all the inventors named in the prior application. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.53(d)(4), the Commissioner is requested to <u>delete the name(s) of the following person or persons</u> who are not inventors of the invention being claimed in this application:

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The above-identified prior application is hereby expressly abandoned as of the filing date of this new application. Please use all the contents of the prior application file wrapper, including the drawings, as the basic papers for the new application. (Note: 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) must be used for applications where the prior application is not to be abandoned.)

It is understood that secrecy under 35 U.S.C. § 122 is hereby waived to the extent that if information or access is available to any one of the applications in the file wrapper of a 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) application, be it either this application or a prior application in the same file wrapper, the Patent and Trademark Office may provide similar information or access to all other applications in the same file wrapper.

- 1. [] Applicant(s) suggests Figure _ for inclusion on the front page of the patent application publication and patent.
- 2. [] Applicant(s) requests suspension of action by the Office until at least _, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this CPA, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(b) The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.
- 3. [] Enter the amendment previously filed on __ under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, but unentered, in the prior application.
- 4. [] The election made previously in the prior application does <u>not</u> carry over to this application.
- 5. [X] A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
- 6. [] Small entity status is hereby claimed.
- 7. [X] The filing fee is calculated below on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application as amended at 3 and 5 above:

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| | No. of Claims | | EXTRA CLAIMS | RATE | FEE |
| Basic Application Fee | | | | | \$740.00 (101) |
| Total Claims | 28 | MINUS 27 = | 1 | × \$18.00 (103) = | \$ 18.00 |
| Independent Claims | 6 | MINUS 5 = | 1 | × \$84.00 (102) = | \$ 84.00 |
| If multiple dependent cl | aims are pres | sented, add \$280.0 | 00 (104) | | |
| Total Application Fee | \$842.00 | | | | |
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| TOTAL APPLICATION | ON FEE DU | € | | | \$842.00 |

| 8. | [| J | | | ation is being filed without a filing fee. Issuance of a Notice to File Missing oplication is respectfully requested. | | | | |
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| 9. | [X | (] | A check in the amount of $2.802.00$ is enclosed for the filing fee due and the Petition for a Five-Month Extension of Time. | | | | | | |
| 10. | [|] | Charge \$ to Deposit Account No. 02-4800 for the fee due. | | | | | | |
| 11. | Z | (] | The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate. | | | | | | |
| 12. | [] | (] | Priority of Application No. <u>9-49337</u> , filed on <u>March 4, 1997</u> , in <u>Japan</u> (country) is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. | | | | | | |
| | [X | () | The certified copy of the priority application | | | | | | |
| | | | [] | is end | closed. | | | | |
| | | | [X] | was f | filed in the Internation Bureau in Application No. <u>PCT/JP98/00891</u> , which filed on <u>March 4, 1998</u> . in prior Application No, filed on _, and owledged by the Examiner on _ in Paper No | | | | |
| | | | [] | has n | ot yet been filed. | | | | |
| 13. | Į |] | Pleas | e ame | nd the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: | | | | |
| | | | [] | filed | s application is a [] continuation [] divisional of U.S. Application No, on _, which was a national stage filing under 35 U.S.C. § 371 of national Application No filed on | | | | |
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| | | | a. | [X] | The power appears in the original papers in the prior application. | | | | |
| | | | b. | [] | Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed. | | | | |
| | | | c. | [X] | Recognize as Associate Attorney or Agent <u>Dawn M. Gardner, Reg. No. 44,118</u> . | | | | |
| | | | d. | [X] | Address all future communications to: (May only be completed by applicant, or attorney or agent of record.) | | | | |
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-identified application, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

In The Claims:

Please replace claim 1 as follows:

1. (Three Times Amended) A process for producing arachidonic acid or lipid containing arachidonic acid comprising the steps of culturing a microorganism, belonging to the genus *Mortierella* and having resistance to a carbon source of high concentration, in a medium having a carbon source concentration of at least 4% by weight at the start of culturing and the addition of at least an additional 6% by weight of carbon source during the culturing, thereby forming arachidonic acid or lipid containing arachidonic acid and recovering arachidonic acid, wherein the microorganism produces arachidonic acid of at